MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS April 01, 2011

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, April 01, 2011, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bonnie Barker, LPC, Chair Patricia Harwell, MFT, Vice-Chair Jack Perryman, LPC Will Bacon, MFT Jan Ligon, CSW Ben Marion, CSW, MFT Eunice Mixon, Consumer Member

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor Sandy Stembridge, Licensure Analyst Dianne Patterson, Administrative Assistant Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist

GUEST ATTENDEES:

Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW

Bonnie Barker, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:21 a.m.

Liaison Report:

The Liaison Report was presented to the Board by Ms. Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA.

Minutes:

Harwell motioned, Bacon seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

March 04, 2011

Executive Director's Report:

• Correspondence to APC/AMFT licensee's whose licenses have exceeded the five (5) year limit presented to the Board. These individuals' licenses will be withdrawn from the

database as an ongoing practice by Board staff as they reach the five (5) year mark and the correspondence sent to them.

Harwell motioned, Bacon seconded, and the Board voted to approve the correspondence and to accept the Executive Director's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Rule Discussion:

Rule 135-9-.01 Continuing Education Requirements – Rule has been posted; Public hearing scheduled for the next meeting, May 6, 2011 @ 10:30 a.m.

The Board will continue to review and discuss their current rules for potential revisions and/or amendments to simplify and clarify their intent. This will be an ongoing agenda item for the Board.

"Virtual Counseling"

The Board continues to discuss the use of new technology and equipment and how counselors and therapists are beginning to utilize such devices. The Board does not give out legal advice, and current rules do not address or make provisions for the use of such technology for long distance counseling. The Board will continue this discussion in subsequent meetings. Dr. Ligon will research the matter and report to the Board his findings in subsequent meetings as well.

Correspondences:

Correspondences received between scheduled Board meetings were reviewed and discussed.

Dwight Hymans, Beth Leonard, Erin Richter, Valerie Waagen and Vanitta Bumpers

Bacon motioned, Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to allow the administrative staff to respond to all correspondences presented to the Board as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition(s) for Waiver/Variance Requests:

1. Marie W. Cadden, Evans, GA-Rule 135-5-.04 (3) Requirements for Licensure for Clinical Social Workers

Mixon motioned, Ligon seconded and the Board voted to deny the waiver request. Applicant meets the licensure requirements. None opposed, motion carried.

2. Eugene Herrington, Atlanta, GA, CSW001035, Rule 135-9.01 CE Requirements

Mixon motioned, Ligon seconded, and the Board voted to deny the waiver request due to insufficient evidence submitted to prove a hardship. Licensee must apply for reinstatement of license. None opposed, motion carried.

3. Carol McMillar, Macon, GA, LPC003784-Rule 135-6-.06-Inactive Status

Mixon motioned, Ligon seconded, and the Board voted to deny the waiver request due to insufficient evidence submitted to prove a hardship. Licensee must apply for reinstatement of license. None opposed, motion carried.

4. Lynn Wheeler, Americas, GA-Rule 135-5-.03(2)(c)

Mixon motioned, Ligon seconded, and the Board voted to deny the waiver request. Waiver request was not required. Applicant must apply for licensure. None opposed, motion carried.

Harwell motioned, Marion seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Professional Practice Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Barker, Harwell, Ligon, Perryman, Marion, Bacon, and Mixon.

APPLICATIONS:

Harwell motioned, Ligon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following <u>Marriage & Family Therapists</u> applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST - CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT:

1. Gregory, Erica Contract changes approved

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAMINATION:

T.G. Approved to sit for exam
 R.H. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed
 A.K. Approved to sit for exam
 F.L. Pending; additional documentation needed
 D.M. Approved to sit for exam
 J.W. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST BY EXAM WAIVER:

S.E. Approved to sit for exam
 Filler, Jaime Approved for licensure
 B.G. Approved to sit for exam
 S.H. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed
 Krenz-Roe, Rebecca Approved for licensure
 Wells-Bradford, LaFrancine Approved for licensure

Perryman motioned, Ligon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following <u>Professional Counselors</u> applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

1. J.B.	Approved to sit for exam
2. K.B.	Approved to sit for exam; pending contract affidavit
3. F.D.	Pending; additional documentation needed
4. S.D.	Approved to sit for exam
5. B.G.	Approved to sit for exam
6. K.H.	Approved to sit for exam
7. K.H.	Approved to sit for exam
8. L.H.	Approved to sit for exam; pending contract affidavit
9. S.H.	Approved to sit for exam
10. M.J.	Approved to sit for exam
11. A.K.	Pending; additional documentation needed
12. A.L.	Approved to sit for exam
13. H.L.	Approved to sit for exam
14. T.L.	Approved to sit for exam
15. D.M.	Approved to sit for exam
16. J.M.	Approved to sit for exam
17. J.M.	Approved to sit for exam
18. W.M.	Approved to sit for exam
19. D.N.	Approved to sit for exam
20. B.P.	Approved to sit for exam
21. C.P.	Approved to sit for exam
22. K.P.	Pending; additional documentation needed
23. R.P.	Approved to sit for exam
24. H.T.	Approved to sit for exam
25. M.W.	Approved to sit for exam

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1.	Austin-Cole, Lori	Approved for licensure
2.	D.F.	Approved Pending; additional documentation needed
3.	Floyd, Valerie	Approved for licensure
4.	Giles, Corina	Approved for licensure
5.	Graydon, TreMayne	Approved for licensure
6.	Hiers, Lisa	Approved for licensure
7.	Irwin, Maria	Approved for licensure
8.	Johnson, Danielle	Approved for licensure
9.	Johnson, Willia	Approved for licensure
10.	Just, Karmen	Approved for licensure
11.	Morgan, Stefany	Approved for licensure
12.	Pearsall, Shereese	Approved for licensure
13.	Price, Leigh	Approved for licensure
14.	Ross, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
15.	Sachs, Barbara	Approved for licensure
16.	Schoier, Sandra	Approved for licensure
17.	Thompson, Jennifer	Approved for licensure

Approved for licensure

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR - CONTRACT CHANGES:

Blank, Susan
 Ellis, Vicki
 Fountain, Yolanda
 Kingsfield, Tiffany
 Martin, Erin
 Contract changes approved
 Contract changes approved
 Contract changes approved
 Contract changes approved

6. H.M. Pending; additional documentation needed

7. Powell, Sandra Contract changes approved8. Thompson, Christi Contract changes approved

9. K.T. Pending additional documentation needed

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM:

1. R.A. Approved to sit for exam

T.B. Pending; additional documentation needed
 D.E. Pending; additional documentation needed

4. C.E. Approved to sit for exam

5. B.H. Pending; additional documentation needed

6. K.G.L. Approved to sit for exam
7. J.M. Approved to sit for exam
8. B.Z. Approved to sit for exam

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Bartell, Nicole Approved for licensure

2. M.B. Pending; additional documentation needed

Beard, Noelle
 Clark, Edward
 Approved for licensure
 Approved for licensure

5. J.C. Pending; additional documentation needed

Clark, Stephanie
 Cummings, Elisabeth
 Elrod, Philip
 Engler, Katherine
 Ertle, Leigh
 Approved for licensure
 Approved for licensure
 Approved for licensure
 Approved for licensure

11. A.F. Denied; lacks evidence of required PMDE/supervision

Approved for licensure

12. Hall, Fiona Approved for licensure 13. Henderson, Pamela Approved for licensure 14. Howard, Jeffrey Approved for licensure Approved for licensure 15. Inman, Corrie 16. Johnson, Dyan Approved for licensure 17. Kagan, Ilona Approved for licensure 18. Lasseter, Amy Approved for licensure 19. Love, Debra Approved for licensure Approved for licensure 20. Massey, Melissa 21. McClary, Frederica Approved for licensure 22. Menefee, Janet Approved for licensure

23. Peterson, Laura

24. Porter, Dwight Approved for licensure 25. Rivers, Carolyn Approved for licensure

26. D.R. Pending; additional documentation needed

27. Root, Jessica Approved for licensure
28. Rowe, James Approved for licensure
29. Taylor, Niefa Approved for licensure
30. Toney, Monica Approved for licensure
31. Walley, Cynthia Approved for licensure
32. Wheeler, Angela Approved for licensure
33. Wood, Irene Approved for licensure

34. R.Y. Pending; additional documentation needed

35. Zito, Allison Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY ENDORSEMENT:

1. L.B. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed

2. Cobia, Debra Approved for licensure

3. C.J.H. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed

4. Netterlund, Ashley Approved for licensure

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR BY REINSTATMENT:

J.C. Approved Pending; must pass national exam
 J.G. Pending; additional documentation needed

Ligon motioned, Bacon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following <u>Social</u> <u>Workers</u> applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

1. P.A. Approved to sit for exam

2. M.B. Pending; additional documentation needed

3. S.N.B. Approved to sit for exam

4. V.B. Pending; additional documentation needed

5. D.G.C. Approved to sit for exam

6. P.C. Pending; additional documentation needed7. W.C. Pending; additional documentation needed

8. F.E. Approved to sit for exam
9. M.E. Approved to sit for exam

10. M.G. Pending; additional documentation needed

11. M.G. Approved to sit for exam
12. M.G. Approved to sit for exam
13. S.G. Approved to sit for exam

14. A.H. Pending; additional documentation needed

15. E.H. Approved to sit for exam
16. N.J. Approved to sit for exam
17. T.H.J. Approved to sit for exam
18. K.P. Approved to sit for exam
19. P.P. Approved to sit for exam

20. T.P. Approved to sit for exam 21. A.S. Approved to sit for exam 22. D.S. Pending; additional documentation needed Pending; additional documentation needed 23. H.S. 24. J.S. Pending; additional documentation needed 25. N.S. Pending; additional documentation needed

26. K.W. Approved to sit for exam 27. K.W. Approved to sit for exam

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

1. Baer, Mary Approved for licensure 2. Borer, Stephani Approved for licensure

Approved Pending; additional documentation needed 3. A.H.

Approved for licensure 4. Jackson, LaToya 5. Luczka, Janelle Approved for licensure 6. Lyme, Alan Approved for licensure

7. M.M. Approved Pending; additional documentation needed

8. Skarin, Vickie Approved for licensure Approved for licensure 9. Terlouw, Nicole 10. Turner, Erika Approved for licensure

CLINICAL SOCIAL WOKER BY REINSTATEMENT:

1. E.H. Pending; additional documentation needed

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM:

1. A.A. Approved to sit for exam 2. G.A. Approved to sit for exam 3. S.A. Approved to sit for exam 4. K.B. Approved to sit for exam Approved to sit for exam 5. C.C. 6. K.C. Approved to sit for exam 7. K.C. Approved to sit for exam 8. C.D. Approved to sit for exam 9. C.F. Approved to sit for exam 10. M.F. Approved to sit for exam

Pending; additional documentation needed

11. T.F. 12. K.G. Approved to sit for exam 13. E.H. Approved to sit for exam 14. S.H. Approved to sit for exam 15. S.H. Approved to sit for exam 16. A.J. Approved to sit for exam 17. H.L. Approved to sit for exam 18. J.L. Approved to sit for exam 19. J.M. Approved to sit for exam 20. M.M. Approved to sit for exam 21. A.P. Approved to sit for exam 22. E.P. Approved to sit for exam

23. K.S.	Approved to sit for exam
24. L.S.	Approved to sit for exam
25. P.S.	Approved to sit for exam
26. K.W.	Approved to sit for exam
27. L.W.	Approved to sit for exam

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAM WAIVER:

1.	Brooks, Laquita	Approved for licensure
2.	Cayce, Laura	Approved for licensure
3.	Cortez, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
4.	Fincher, Stacy	Approved for licensure
5.	Hursey, Sarah	Approved for licensure
6.	Lumpkin, Ember	Approved for licensure
7.	Tucker, Tonia	Approved for licensure
8.	White, Kimberly	Approved for licensure

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY REACTIVATION:

1. Lewis, Trecia Approved for licensure

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY REINSTATEMENT:

1. P.H. Approved Pending; must pass national exam

STANDARDS COMMITTEE - APPLICANT INTERVIEW - LPC COMMITTEE

Bacon motioned, Harwell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following <u>Professional Counselors</u> applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

1. A.F. Pending; additional documentation needed

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Complaint Cases Closed:

 COMP090028, COMP100003, COMP100005, COMP100052, COMP100064, COMP100092, COMP100097, COMP110001, COMP110029, COMP110037, COMP110038, COMP110051, COMP110076, and COMP110081

Mixon motioned, Harwell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Professional Practice Committee Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT:

Tricia Downing, Senior Assistant Attorney General provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action.

Harwell motioned, Mixon seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board adjourned the meeting at $4:20~\mathrm{p.m.}$

Minutes recorded by:	Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist	
Minutes reviewed and edited by:	Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director	
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Bonnie Barker, Chair	Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director	

These minutes were signed and approved on: <u>05-06-2011</u>